

Hebrews - Commentaries by Clifford Henry Brown

Detroit Conference: 1960, Moses and Faith (11:23-30)

Address—C.H. Brown

General Meeting Detroit, November 1960, Addressed by Chapter Brown. All we had to do is take a look at the power of the Ferrari survive the other. Day. Call me. Portion that I have before me, I want to read the verse in Philippians. The third chapter. Flipping 3 verse. First one. Finally, my brethren rejoiced in the Lord. To write the same things for you to meet it to me indeed is not grievous, but for you it is safe. It's this sentence I have before me to write the same things to you. Me indeed is not great, but for you it is safe. Well, that's sort of an apology. For writing to the Philippians those things he had told them so often.

Because I know I told you all this before. But I don't mind telling you again. And I think it's good for you. So I hope you will bear with me if I read. A very familiar portion and one of the evil. Heard that news on occasions like this over and over again. I think scriptures of such a character that if we approach it. Independence and asking to be part of God. He can always give us something new from it, even though we've heard it many, many times before. So in terms of the 11th of the Hebrews. We all know this is the Faith, the faith chapter. We read from the 23rd verse. By faith Bodies, when he was born was hit three months of his parents because he saw he was a proper child. And they were not afraid of the King's commandment. By faith Moses, when it was come to years. Refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter. Choosing rather to suffer affliction with the people of God. And to enjoy the pleasures of San Francisco. Assuming their approach of Christ, greater riches. And the treasures in Egypt. Or he had this respect. Under the recompense of the reward. By faith he forsook Egypt, not fearing the wrath of the king. For he endured as seeing him as invisible. Two days he kept the Passover. And the sprinkling of blood. That he had destroyed the first born to touch them. From my faith they passed through the Red Seas by dry land. Which the Egyptians are saying to do or drown. By faith, the walls and Jericho fell down after they were accomplished about seven days. The Faith chapter. Faith is the. Substance. Are they substantiating? The things hoped for. The evidence of things not seen. Faith is just as real and dynamic. A thing is electricity. I don't suppose anybody's ever best to see electricity many things that. They can't see, but we can see the effects. So remember that. Faith is something that does things. It's the substance. It's good. It has. An unseen power substance to it. You can see the effects of it. But if someone says, well now show me your faith. You'd have a a difficult time. You asked me to show you my pocket knife. I can do it. But let's show your face. Faith is the. Substance. A thing to vote for, the evidence of things not seen. But all what a powerful factor. Expense. The lives of God's people, down to the aces. Here's a man with the name of Moses. He comes into this world and humble circumstances. Things were trying for the children of Israel with the time Holding was born. They had some dear parents. Does that have over you young folks this afternoon?

Some of you I can recognize and remember the heritage. Some of you I've known for. Virus is generated. The wonderful thing to have God returned. Moses has the right kind of parents, Shirley. When he was born, they they hit him. I don't know whether this little babe was manifested any of the Adam rebellion against that process of being in or not. But they saw he was a proper child, he child worth saving. And the hitting from the animals. Your parents, if they're Christians and then trying to hide you. For many of his call off. Much of the world. Marcus would spell sorrow in your Christian life. How have you reacted to it? Have you ever gotten down on your knees and thank God that you have parents that have the courage to hide difference? Or would you rather just turn you loose? I'm saying I you can just take on from here. You're you're on your own. We're not going to give you any advice. We're not going to say no anything. You just have your own way. You're like parents like that. Not if you're wise, you wouldn't. Sometimes young people take the bit of their teeth, they say, and go out on their own. But all the unspeakable tragedy that followed that kind of self will. Moses didn't have the wisdom to take care of himself this time. Wisdom comes with years. What is going on with God? But his parents said he was the star. They were not afraid of the King's commandment. Ages the type in the world. You get various animation scriptures. Philistine is an enemy in the land. Those are enemies within. Professor Criticism. Then they get the ammetes. Well, there you get the entity of the place trying to ruin your life. Here's Jesus the world. How many Christians life has been ruined by fear of offending the world? You know God and Prince of this world. The God of it religiously, and the Prince of it politically. But these parents were not afraid of the King's commandment. What is the King's command? Well, the God of this world has a mold. And he's determined to force you into that bowl. And turn you out as though you're in a process of assembly line production. So that you come out at the end of a thorough world. That's what he would do with him. He had his opportunity. But these parents were determined that their child should not go through processing. They were not afraid of the King's commandment. Thank God for parents like that. Sometimes the world. Puts the pressure on parents. They say you're doing your children an injustice. You're denying them this and you're denying them that. And they have the right to these things. Well, thank God for parents that have the courage to say we're not rearing our children. After the accepted standards around us in the world today, we're seeking by the grace of God. To bring them up according to the truth of the word of God. They're not afraid of the King's demand. You can't always go on your parents protection. There comes a time when.

Responsibility. Is right at your door. There comes a time when you have to take over. So we're reading that money 1st, 24th verse. Thy same closest like for how many years? Yes, came the year. Can't always ask father or mother to solve the problem. You have to face this itself. When he was coming here. The first thing we read about him doing is refusing. He refused to recall the son of Pharaohs daughter. That's the way life started out by refusing. And you know much of your life, young folks. If you're going to live for God in this world. Much of your life will be a process of refusing. Well, remember that we live in the enemies land. This is not our home. Let's strangers and pilgrims here. For those around us who go not to Lord. Are constantly seeking. To have us join with them in their pleasures. Their ambition, their purposes, their desires, their schemes, their propaganda. It's a constant battle all the way through. But one of the first words that you've got to have in your Christian vocabulary is and old. No, Moses. Refuse. Well, no matter how many of us would refuse. But Moses refused. You know, he was the heir. The throne of Egypt. Refused to be called the son of Pharaoh. They have adopted it. That put him in line. For the Thrones of the greatest nation in the world. He's headed right for him. Did he do right when he refused? Did he? Having a mind of God when he turned down an opportunity like that. And may be dead. But how many would have stood with him in the decision? How many that pointed the finger at him

and said poor fool. I'm running with that. Oh, if I could just have had the opportunity of that boy had. I certainly would have taken advantage of it. The son of Pharrell, daughter. I'm 87, No. Well, I wonder, have you learned to say it? Or are you allowing the? Popular concept. About to be paid for your life. Doesn't make so much difference where you are. Sometimes people say well. I don't want to send my children to school. Because they have to be exposed to the world. Well, one doesn't doubt the sincerity is. Paris, there are others that may talk that way. But where can you go in this scene? Where can you live a normal life? Without being exposed to the world. The world doesn't confine itself to some of the activities that you might find in school. Or a high school or college or professional education. The world is all about. As the Lord Jesus and that wonderful prayer that he made. He didn't ask his God and Father. Is all out of the world. We did that for that. We actually keep them from the evil that's in the world. Now, I'm certainly not advocating for a moment. The Spirit of. Of just deliberately going out as the lion did and say who will give me a man to fight for me.

And a fear of Brahmano that walks out and says, I'll, I'll tackle the world, try to take care of it. I'm not asking for that spirit. But I do say that. Regardless of where we are. Satan is going to have his temptations. He's going to speak to forces. And the step lock step at that headed way. When the world around. Have with the courage to say no. How about it in the office where you work? You happen to say no a good many times, don't you? If you don't, we got one to get mixed up with what's going on. The other day in Montreal. Things there. Buried brother. I'm known him for a good many years. Some of you heard me tell this before, but the tips? Oh, pardon me. But I think it has a point to it. He went to work in this office the first day. Think office, You know many deaths then. The big fellow or 6 feet tall. That's a tremendous voice. The first day it went there, he took his Bible with him and. Lot of minutes before time to settle down the word. Looked at this Bible like that, says Man. Here's where I stand. Ladies, Bible down to the desk. We went to work. I'm not telling you this imitating. I'm not telling you to do that same thing. But in principle, it was a wonderful thing to do. In other words. And let it stand be known at the very start. The result was. He didn't have to say no. When somebody asked him to Will you have it? Will you have a cigarette? He didn't have to say no. What? Why, he just covered all the negatives and that one old stand that he's taken. No one said we're going to go out and have a drink. No one said. Would you like to show the night? No one said whatever. Like have a liberal, a little game. The stakes aren't very high. They're going to meet for a few minutes after dinner. Did you have to say no? Certainly he didn't. He'd already said this. Taking his stand on the book. That was. All these things. Oh, how wonderful. If we can learn to refuse. And it'll be that all through your Bible. You can't get past, you can't graduate, you can't get a degree where you're not having to say no because we live on the enemies land. Temptations all around. Well, that's the negative side. Now on the next verse we get something else. Not only where does they know? We not only learn the negative side, but we choose things rather to suffer affliction with the people of God than to enjoy the pleasures of sin for a season. What a wonderful thing. That process of choice is. It's what makes us laugh. Life is a series of choosing. Everyone in this room this afternoon. What is because of the choices he's made? Life consists of little else in that. Start the day that way. Open your eyes in the morning. Well, have to make a choice. We're going to get up now. We're going to rest 5 minutes long. You get up. And you dress for the day.

Values. Choose what suits you're going to throw. You make choice all the time. Go down to breakfast. Make a choice. What do you want for breakfast? And then when you start to work, when you get to work about first it's choice, choice, choice all the way through, right down to the time when you finish the day. Joyce Joyce Joy. That's what forms carry. Well, Moses chose rather. How many chose rather? That shows that there were alternative choices to be had. Chose rather to suffer affliction with the people of God. Than to enjoy the pleasures of sin. Percy. Two kinds of people in this world. The people of God and the people of the world. And they're all around us. You wouldn't have to walk 5 minutes from here. Find those who would have absolutely no use. For this precious book. For the very lines of truth that we're seeking to bring out this afternoon. They would be violently opposed to them. No, there are the people of God. And there are the people of this world. Ye are of this world. What the Lord Jesus said to the unbelievers of his day. But he said I'm not of his work. Ye are from beneath. I am from above. So in commending his disciples. The Lord to God, his Father. He said. They are not of this world, even as I am not of this world. Northern ladies choice is that I'm going to cast in my life. With the people of God. For the wonderful thing here, young folks. That's the happiest decision you'll ever make. When you cast in your loss. With the people of God. All thank God they're here on this world. We find them all around us. But we have to recognize them. It's not the majority. It's not the Great Teaming Brawl. Or no. But here and there, intermingled are the people of God. The other day. I went into one of these laundrettes. You out a little bundle of washing that accumulates on a trip bike fence. He gave a pamphlet to. The lady sitting next to me there, she was also there on the same kind of an errand. The moment she saw the pamphlet. He said that sounds good with. How do I like that starter response? So that led to a conversation. And you know, we found ourselves. 100% agreement. That we believe that the Father sent the Son to be the Savior of the world. We believe that the Lord Jesus Christ died for our sins. But he arose again. He ascended into heaven. They sent down the Holy Spirit that He formed the Church. And he was coming any moment to take his old up, to meet him in the air. That lovely conversation. We were just oblivious. For those others in the place. Who gave every sign of being of this world, their language, their heavens, The things they were reading is they sat there waiting. All told the story. Belong with the world. Presently this lady's son fine clean looking.

Young fellow about around 30 years of age came in. And with this. Becoming motherly, Pride introduced her son. We had a monthly conversation about the things of Christ. I've never seen him before and he's never seen me before. What was the latest? Belong to that company in this world. People of God. Choosing rather to suffer affection with the people of God. Well, we learned in the scripture doing not that. Those of us that know and love the Lord Jesus. Find ourselves in an adverse world. We may have to suffer. Special persecution on the place. Right now. While we're sitting here and comparative peace and quiet. We know that in other parts of the world. Dear children of God. That love the Lord Jesus just as much as we do. Who have just as good a right to peace and quiet as we have. Are languishing in prison. They're neglected, they're persecuted, They're starved. Some of them are dying. Their families taken from them. The enemy has the power over them. Their suffering, affection with the people's thoughts. Some of them have been offered their liberty. If they will deny Christ. If they will quit their praying and reading their bibles and speaking about Jesus, they can go free. But they choose rather to suffer a place than with the people of God that enjoys the pleasures of sin for his season. Yes, the pleasures of sin. Let's not say that there's no fun in being out in the world in sin. It has its pleasures. It does. You wouldn't find such modest news running after it if it didn't have some pleasure. But what is written over the whole thing? Far as either. Yes, for a season, Payday comes along. It all has an end. The curtain falls and then walk. Oh yes, that's. There's the Rob. That's the thing they don't want to think about. They don't want think about. They had a man out in California. He lived in a palace. The modern millionaire. Lived a very wicked life. And it was understood by his most eminent friend. Nothing with one word that must not be mentioned in his presence. All his friends knew was. Don't you ever mention that word death in my presence. I don't want to hear it. Quite limited. The point is on the man wants to die. And after this. Judgment. Oh, that's where the trouble was. You know you're in heaven sometimes turns into doors. But your conscience does. That man had a natural conscience that told him Sunday. Going to stand in the presence of God and give an account of that wicked life of you. And he died, yes. He died. He had a funeral that cost several \$1000. But

he died. I mean there. As a mirror public expense. The Glaziers of Sin Forest season. How thankful we can be here, uncle.

That we've been preserved from a life like that. Oh, what a mercy it is. Oh, we ought to get on our knees every night and thank God. For his mercy and saving our soul. Might be preserved from the decease of Satan. And end up at the last in hopeless outer dark. Moses refused and Moses chose. Now there was something else. The 26th birth. Moses has seen their approach of Christ, the greater riches on the treasures in Egypt. What? Every man has his criteria. His standards. What are we by doing? Supposing that someone were to give you a slip of paper. And a pencil and say no. Write down. Would you like to make a list like that? Would you be honest? Would you make it out so that somebody else would have the privilege of reading? Howard is conformed with Moses plan. Perhaps he didn't write this out, but he thought it through. And what was it that he esteemed, that he desires, that he values? What was it to which his committed himself? Why he has seen the Reproach Christ. Reproach of Christ. Greater riches, riches. Than the traitors in Egypt. Yes. This man. Is one of the parables of Egypt. They discovered his. And they found that it cost \$15 million to bury. That an expensive barrier. But he was just as dead as those of them buried in the paupers tomb. Moses might have had a barrier like that. But you know, Moses. Had one of the rare privileges of any man that ever lived. I don't know of any other man. I at least I can't think of it at this moment. Our movement said that God married. Oh, how wonderful to happen. God thinks of much of me that he just takes over your barrel and seats doing himself. How different that was from the burial that? A seemingly reproach of Christ. If you're going to live for the Lord Jesus Christ in this world. You'll mind that it carries with it a major reproach. Let us go for it there or unto him outside the camp. Bearing his reproach. They that will to live godly in Christ Jesus. Shall suffer persecution. Doesn't say they may, It says they can. They that will deliver God. That's part of it. Peter writing in his day. Says if you need, if you suffer from Christ. Happy are you for the spirit of glory and of God rest upon. If you suffer from pride. What do they mean when he says the spirit of glory rest upon you? Well, I think it means this. And if you're suffering from Christ? Actually suffering from Christ. It marks you out as a candidate for growth. I think that's it. The Spirit of God and the glory rest upon it, March you out of the candidate for gold.

Oh, what a wonderful. To suffer for Christ. Greater riches than the Prajers in Egypt. Very few people in this world. I've never heard of. This poor disease. Where, if you've ever heard of. But all things are the multitudes that have been blessed through the faithfulness of Moses the man of God, Moses the man of God. For he had respect under the recompense of the reward. All young folks who have not been fully. Let's not sell out. Let's learn to evaluate things in the light of eternity. He had respect. Under the recompense of the reward, payday is coming. Oh, yes. It's coming. Oh, how glad we'll be. How thankful we'll be in that day. We didn't sell out. I've just been visiting up. For Canada. And I visited in the neighborhood. Of that dear young brother that was so tragically taken out of this world this year. Only 20 years of age. But you know the thing that hit my heart good as I went in and long in and out among those that knew the story? They knew him intimately. Thing that made my heart black was that that dear young man. That made Christ his choice, and not only that. But he was living for Christ. He was bearing the reproach of Christ. He was one who was marked up. As one who was on the Lord's side. It wasn't an indifferent light. It wasn't a DRAM meaningless confession. Everyone who knew him intimately knew that Christ was the opportunity to talk. He had respect under the recompense of the reward. Oh, how glad. The dear young man is now. Made the right choice. I'm glad he'll be in that day when all passes and reviews the judgment seat of Christ. That a few brief years, only 20 years. That his few brief years were lived from God and was testimony for Christ. All dear young believers here to say, let's just wake up, let's not make the final mistake. I'm thinking that we've got to have our fling in the world. Our taste of the platters of sin. And then we're going to turn to God. Satan not received. Most of great views Moses chose. Moses esteemed and now the 27th verse. And by faith he for soaking, just not fearing the wrath of the king. My faith he forsook Egypt turned his back on. Have you done that? Some of you keep Diaries. Is there an history somewhere in that dire years? It says by the grace of God. Today I made my my decision. I turned my back on each I for two feet. That decision day came in Moses life. We have to make it. There came the time when it was now or never. He had to make that decision, make it quick. Well, he made it.

He decided to more save Egypt. Have you made that decision? Forsake this world. All the cross of Christ. By which the world is crucified unto me. I under the world, the cross of Christ. By which the world is crucified under me, and I under the world. I notice this expression not fearing the wrath of the king. Here's an encouraging word for you dear parents here this afternoon. You remember what was said about Moses parents in that 23rd verse? They were not afraid of the King's commandment. And we're not afraid of King's commandment, the parents. Well, they brought that boy up accordingly. They acted accordingly. They were not afraid of King's abandonment. And you know, in the ways of God. That same thing came out in the light of that boy. The time came when he was on his own, as we've already said. And you find him of the same spirit with his parents. He forsook Egypt, not fearing the wrath of the king. Oh, remember parents? If you seek Father Grace of God. You'll be faithful. With those dear children. You can expect in God's time. But that training will not be in vain. It comes out in the boy here. He too is not fearing the wrath of the king. He groups of people. And now the next thing about him. He endure. In viewing? Oh yes, we'll be tested. You don't know anything about a good soldier until he's been tested. It isn't just having his shoe shine and being able to March with his shoulders back. Be able to put on a good review day. Appearance. That is my test out of soldier. It's the forefront of the battle and testimony my brother is in encounter not. Well, the test comes. Test came the most. He might have met Africa made that decision too. Wanted the wilderness, the backside of the desert. He might have said on further consideration. On further consideration, I decided I made a huge mistake. I'm going to split back, humble myself and see if I can't get it what I missed. Oh no, none of that for Moses. He endured. He went on. He grew. He developed. When the time came for him to leave the people of God. What I know wonderful leader he was. We need to have a long schooling army gears on the backside of the desert. But he'd been there with God. When the time came going to be out in the foreground. And he gave a good account of himself. Ian Hewer. Young folks, great thing to endure. You go round and some of us have done for good many years. And you say, well, what about Kim or John or Jack or whoever, whatever name you want. And how's he cutting along? I remember him and I was here before. How's he coming along? Well, it does your heart good. When you ask that question and someone. Breaks us a broad smile and. That's all Jacks really, Jack. Wonderful.

God is done wonderful things to that boy. He's just a joy to resolve. I've had that experience over and over again. Doesn't my heart go? But sometimes, you know. He strikes sad calmness. And it's just as though someone was going to. Hang a recent crease. Shake your head. Oh, poor boy. I'm just sorry to have to speak about it. With the noise gone back, right back into the world. He didn't endure. Go, he went back. Not so with Moses. He endured. What enabled him to endure? He saw him who was invisible. God, does that sound like a contradiction? God isn't the least. Sit appraised. To make contradictions. God is. Any embarrassment at all? In such blessed, wonderful holy contradiction. The words full of them, but the child of soccer rejoices. The interval comes along and that's all they can see what lies on the 3rd. But always this wonderful to think. That Moses have the eyes of faith. Let's Pierce through That penetrated the unknown, and he looked up to a God whom he learned of value and to know. He saw him with the eyes of faith. It was just as real to him. Though he meant face to face for this. He saw him who is invisible. Well, beloved, you and I can have that experience. Many of their Christians. Has burned of the state. Has gone down into

death with joy in his heart, with sorrow on his lips. How could he do it? 'Cause he saw him, it was invisible. He died victoriously because the eye of faith led him to know and to recognize him. Who to the natural eye is invisible? On the 28th, 1St through Faith against the castle. Through faith he kept, he believed was on set. God told. That night, everyone can take a laugh, keep it up for four days and kill it. Wrinkle of blood upon little, the two cycles. Moses did it. He acted on the direction. He kept the Passover and the sprinkling of the blood. Well, I'm talking supposedly to young Christians. And I take it for granted. That you have done this, that you have appropriated the Lord Jesus Christ as your own savior. You've come to Jesus. As a horrible Sinner. You said I need the blood. I need the Lamb of God. And you said yes. And you got saved. You know that the blood is all the little in the signpost. And you hear God say, when I see the blood, I'll Passover you. So you know there's no judgment for you. You believe you've received Christ, he belongs to you, and you're a peaceful God. Or how wonderful that is. By painting kept the family and the strengthening of blood. No salvation without the blood. But now let's just make one other point here. He kept the Passover. We had in our meeting this morning. About the remembrance of the Lord. I wondered, have you ever kept that? Have you ever done what the Lord ask you to do?

Have you followed through now this address up to this point? All the way along you said Amen, Brother Brown. Amen. Amen. Are you going to say Amen to what I'm saying now? If the Lord can speak to you. I'll put it stronger. The Lord has spoken to you. Do this in remembrance of me. Have you done it? You say No, I haven't. What the reason why? Ah, you know, there's a reason. There is something deep down in your life that means more to you than Christ. And you're saying no to love like that? It seems to me to be so very sad. To have the Lord come tonight. And he made And you would have to say, Lord, I I never once thought enough of you. To do what you asked me to do. Never once. Did I eat with bread and drinking cup and loving remembrance of what you did for me? By saying he kept the Passover and strengthen your club. So I want to go down to the 30th 1St because your time is up. Faith the walls of Jericho fell down after they were accomplished 70. The one that said no, you can't go into the promised land. We're going to keep you out. But they were comfortable for seven days. That's the perfect number. And then the walls collapsed where the Internet took the city. You know, there's some people. Marching around your citizens are unbelief. Marching round and round in prayer. All thanks gone through the prayers of the Saints. Thank God for the for the thousands of souls that have been broken down and said yes to the pleading of the Spirit of God, because. Dear ones and loved ones were going round and round. In prayer of round and round, never ceasing 7 days. Pray, pray. Pray. All that wonderful to know. Sooner or later, they answered God. Or may we be men and women of faith and prayers. They will never cease to go round and round as we follow them in prayer for our loved ones, wherever they are. That was great.

Burbank Conference: 1967, Let Us Go Forth Unto Him (13:12)

Address—C.H. Brown

I can't say how orderly. This address tonight will be because I hope we'll be turning to a number of scriptures. Perhaps not too well connected. But I believe that it would be well to start with the 13th chapter of Hebrews. Now these verses are well known to us. I'm sure there's no one present here that is not familiar with them. Hebrews 13. Reading verse 12. Wherefore Jesus also. That he might sanctify the people. With his own blood suffered outside the gate. Let us go forth therefore unto him. Outside the camp bearing his reproach. For here have we no continuing say, but we seek one to count. I will meditate for a few moments on those words. Notice that it's the person of Christ that's brought before us. Jesus. Might sanctify the people with his own blood. Suffered outside the gate. Oh, may we be very clear in our minds, and you younger people, let it sink well into your soul. That Christianity is Christ. It's a person. It's Jesus. We had some lovely thoughts brought before us by different ones yesterday morning in connection with two or three being gathered to his name that he was in the midst. That's what gives meaning to our gathering, when we come together with a sense that He is keeping His promise and He's in the midst of those gathered to His name. So he sanctifies us. He sets us apart with his own blood. Let us never minimize the blood. Let us remember that Scripture speaks of it over and over again, and in this book of Hebrews the blood is mentioned 19 times in this one book. 19 times. And the blood of Christ. The blood of Christ is mentioned seven times in this book. Blood. That he might sanctify us with his own blood. He gave his life. He suffered unto death. His side was pierced, and forthwith came there out blood, water, blood to expiate, water to cleanse, and God's word testifies to both. Now the exhortation based on that fact is this. Let us go forth therefore unto him. Unto him outside the camp, bearing his reproach. Oh, what an exhortation that is. Let us go forth, therefore unto him. Have we done it? And we just united with the meeting and we just decided that we'd like to be in fellowship. Have we just joined the brethren? Or have we been concerned in our own souls about going forth unto him unto Christ? Outside the camp. You know we're living in solemn days. Some of us that are older have seen tremendous changes in Christendom around us in our lifetime, and right now we're living in the ecumenical age from the great pressure is toward the One World Church. And it's not only the Protestants that are caught in this move, but the Catholics too. And Catholics and Protestants are striving toward that one world church. Well, they're going to get it. There's no question about that. They'll get it.

But all how different is the admonition that's given to us here in this verse? Let us, That's you, that's me, let us. Go forth therefore unto him. Unto him. Unto the person outside the camp. Outside all this high ecumenical pressure. Outside all this effort to build a world church. Let's keep clear of it. Let's have none of it. Let's be found, beloved, following a rejected Christ. Bearing his reproach. His reproach You know the effort today is to make Jesus Christ popular. To reduce him to a stature where he can be acceptable to men in general. So a new approach is made and the old fashioned gospel of the cross of Christ, the blood of Christ, salvation through coming is poor lost sinners coming to a Savior. Is being buried. It's being forgotten. It's being given up all around us. But beloved, God's Word has not changed. Not one whip. Let us go forth therefore unto him outside the camp, bearing his reproach. He was rejected when he was here. They crucified him. They said we don't want him. And remember in John's Gospel I perhaps it's the 6th chapter. Let's turn to it for a moment. It's in connection with the miracle of feeding the 5000. That was a wonderful thing. You know, 5000 men beside women and children. Tremendous miracle. By the way, it's soon a miracle related in all four gospels. 14 Then those men, when they have seen the miracle that Jesus did, said This is a the truth, that prophet that should come into the world. When Jesus therefore perceived that, they would come and take him by force. Take him by force to make him the king. He departed again into a mountain, himself alone. They were going to take and make him a king. Why? Why? Because he'd performed that wonderful miracle. He'd fed 5000, perhaps 10,000 people. Because the number of women and children is not recorded. He gives them a nice big meal. And why not? This is the kind of a man we want. And they were going to hoist him as a word of their shoulders and make a hero of him and have him for their king. No, he didn't want that. He slipped away. He betook himself to other parts. He didn't

come here for that. Let us go forth there unto him outside the camp, bearing his reproach. You know if you follow a rejected Christ, and that's what is meant by his reproach. His approach was that he would not join himself with this world. He wouldn't link himself up with it. He didn't try to straighten out its wrongs. He came here to save 4 lost sinners. He came definitely on a mission. God sent him into this world. That he might say, poor lost sinners such as you and I were by nature. That was his mission. He came not to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance. Bearing his reproach, For here have we no continuing city, but we seek one to come. Oh, thank God, beloved. We're not LED into the delusions of the day thinking we're going to build a wonderful new world.

We're not intoxicated with the idea of a new society. We're not deceived by the notion that we're going to build a world where everybody has plenty and everybody's happy and there'd be no more war and we'll all go along together. Oh, what a delusion. It's of the enemy. It's of Satan. That's not the picture that God's Word gives. Here have we no continuing city, but we seek one to come, our cities, to come our joy, our goal, the Acme of all that of which we look forward, is to be with Christ in the glory above. And here, through this scene we go as pilgrims and strangers. The Pilgrim is journeying on to his goal. The stranger is one who doesn't belong here. And so you and I have that place in this world, pilgrims and strangers. We're not of it. Or else you can let that sink into your soul. It'll be good for you all your Christian life. Keep from becoming Indigo and to any of the world's schemes and plans to have a better world. Avoid all appearances that would seek to reform man. He can be reformed. He needs to be born again. He needs salvation. In the 24th of Luke, we won't turn to it. The Lord spoke to those two that were that He came in contact with. He opened the word to them and He told them about the things concerning Himself in the scriptures. You know the Bible is full of Christ. You can find Christ all the way through from the first chapter in the Bible to the last chapter. Christ is the center of all. And so the Lord just took the time and trouble to inform those two of some of the things in the Scriptures concerning Himself. When you read your Bible, look for Christ. See where you can see Him in the Word. He's there if you look for Him. All the Word of God is full of testimony to that wonderful person, the second person of the Godhead, the one who is the God man, the One who's been in this world, has let us see into the heart of God by presenting Himself as God manifest in flesh. Now in Second Timothy, the third chapter, we'll turn to that for a few moments. Second Timothy. Third chapter. This know also that in the last days. Perilous times shall come. And then we get a long list. Of the characteristics of those perilous times. And it's a sad list, and it's a description of what we see around us today. In the fifth verse. Having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof from such turn away. Seventh verse, ever learning and never able to come to the knowledge of the truth. Oh, how thankful you can be, you dear young people. How thankful you can be that God has in his mercy legend of Christ the center, and you're in a place where you can learn the truth about your blessed Lord. You're not going to be misled. You're not going to be indoctrinated. With the fables of men, you're not going to see the dignity, the deity of our blessed Lord, Lord one knot. You're going to find them exalted in the doctrine that you find in that place. Oh, how thankful we ought to be in a day like this, that there's a positive refusal to lower the standard as to the person of God's Christ.

Well, these people have a form of godliness, but they deny the power thereof and learning and never able to come to the knowledge of the truth. Then going on down. To the 12th verse, Ye and all that will live godly, or all that will to live godly, all that have a desire and a purpose to live godly. In Christ Jesus shall suffer persecution. Do you have a desire in your heart? To live godly in Christ Jesus. Have you ever personally thought that through? Gotten down on your knees and told the Lord that it's your desire to live godly. But not. Just as a general principle, but in Christ Jesus, don't forget the person. It isn't just a pious life. Or there are multitudes of people that live what they call pious lives and there's very little of Christ about it. In fact, perhaps they're the enemies of Christ and yet living what they call pious life. But here all that will to live godly. Their purpose in Christ Jesus shall suffer persecution. Don't ever expect to be accepted by the world. If you make Christ your object, don't expect it. There isn't a spiritual minded Christian in this world, a spiritual minded Christian who's living in the presence of Christ, who is acceptable to the world. Know, regardless of what title he may have or how famous may be his name, if he is following a rejected Christ, living a godly life according to the mind of God is revealed in His Word, he's not going to be accepted by the world. Was the Apostle Paul accepted? I know he wasn't. They killed him. Was Peter accepted? No, he wasn't. They killed him. Was Steven accepted? No, they killed him. All the world just can't bear the presence in their midst of a godly minded Christian. They that will deliver godly in Christ Jesus shall suffer persecution. But evil men and seducers shall wax worse and worse, deceiving and being deceived. But now here's a word for us. Continue, thou in the things that thou hast learned and been assured of knowing, of whom now has learned them. Don't give up, young folks. Don't let that teacher at school, whether it's the grade school or whether it's in college or university. Don't let them rob you. Don't let them take one bit. Away from you of what you've learned as to the blessed person of the Lord Jesus Christ. Remember, this word is the word of God. And this word is going to stand when all the proud institutions of men have disintegrated and disappeared forever. This word is eternal, it's abiding, it's God breathed. 15th verse. What a lovely verse for you young folks that from a child that has known the Holy Scriptures. But you're able to make thee wise unto salvation through faith, which is in Christ Jesus. Now salvation is a real thing, and the Scriptures are those that tell us the way. And from a child of us known the Holy Scriptures. Have you known them from childhood? When I was a little fellow growing up. My parents. Sent me or let me go at least to Sunday school and I learned something about the Lord Jesus. But I didn't have a Christian home. I don't believe we had a Bible in the house when I was a little fellow. No, it was not a Christian home. But most of you here have grown up in a Christian home. Oh, you don't know how much you have for which to praise God. Don't be a traitor to it. Don't betray that upbringing. Oh, how sad to be brought up in a Christian home with an open Bible.

Prayer. Attending the meetings. And then throw it all aside and go into the world. What tragedy. But also reaping well, remember. He that saw it to his flesh shall of the flesh reap corruption. Always a matter solemnly. From a child are known the Holy Scriptures. And these holy scriptures in the 16th verse. All scriptures given by inspiration of God and is profitable. For doctrine, you need doctrine. You need to read your Bible. You can't be helped by a scripture that you don't know. You can't get yourself in an exigency where you need a little help. You need the word of God and you don't have it. The verse isn't there. You don't know where it is, you don't know what you need. But if you've been diligent in searching your Bible, it's wonderful how the Spirit of God will bring to you the very verse that you need to carry you through that crisis. The Holy Scriptures, all scriptures given by inspiration of God. Literally, that is all scriptures. God breathed. That's the literal of it. And is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness, that the man of God. May be perfect now. Perfect means mature, full grown, not staggering around the shifted about by every wind of doctrine. Knows his way. He knows where he is going. He has this. He has this book and he has confidence in it. And it's his guidebook. And so he walks on Independence Day by day and he loves to read the Word and be grounded and settled in the truth. Now in the I don't think we'll turn to it, but in the 11th of Leviticus you get the clean and the unclean animals and a clean and unclean birds. And the clean and unclean fish. Well, those were instructions for the children of Israel. And we don't go over there to learn what to eat and what not to eat. But we can pick up some lovely lessons from it. And I'm just thinking of one verse there. Perhaps I should turn to it. Leviticus 11. Second verse. Leviticus 11/2. Speak unto the children of Israel, saying, these are the beasts. Which he shall eat among all the beasts that are on the earth, whatsoever part of The Who and his cloven footage. And chew us a cup

among the beast. These shall he eat third verse whatsoever part of the proof. That is cloven footed and choose the cut on the beach that should eat. They had to have those two qualifications. And I believe in that we see this. That if you and I. Are going to go through this scene. We want to be sure that. The walk is related to our spiritual life. Chewing the cud to apply it spiritually is meditating in the Word of God. As another has said, let's try and saturate ourselves with scripture. But in order to do that, it takes time. You have time to read your Bible. Or do you just take a glance at it once in a while? Or do you wait till Sunday and see what you got at Sunday school? Or is this blessed book a part of your life?

You feed on it. You saturate yourself with it. That's chewing the cut. When you really think on it and go over it, try to understand it. But now that beast that chewed the cud was clean if. It was 12 and footed. Yes there are animals that took that 11th of Leviticus goes on to show us there are animals that chew the **** that are not cloven footed. Quite a bit said about it. Well, what's it all about? Oh, beloved. Your walk. Should match your doctor. Our walk through this world should be in keeping with what we profess. And don't forget, the world is watching. They are. They're watching you. They're taking notice. They're taking inventory of your life far more than you realize. Let's be sure. That we represent those. Golden hook and chewing the ****. The clean animals that that God said they could use and sacrifice, they could be eaten. Make straight paths for your feet. That's the walk. Make straight paths for your feet. But that which is weak be turn not out of the way. Somebody's watching it. Everyone of us is being watched, and we're going to make straight paths for our feet, lest that which is lame he turned out of the way. Somebody's watching you. They're seeking to pattern their life after your life. Make straight paths for your feet lest that which is lame be turned out of the way. Now in the cross of Romans. Romans 12, verse one. I beseech you, therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that you present your bodies. A living sacrifice, holy. Acceptable unto God, which is your intelligent service. And be not conformed to this world. But be it transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good. And acceptable and perfect will of God. Present your bodies a living sacrifice. Now that word means just what it said. Your bodies. That's part of you. Your bodies. Are we using them? Just to gratify our own lusts. Does our life consist in the next physical pleasure that we can have? Or by the mercies of God, are we presenting our bodies a living, sacrificed, wholly holy? Acceptable unto God your body. Our hands. Our feet, our eye, our ears. Oh, it's, it's sad the things that people are listening to today. It is. It's sad the things people are seeing today. A sister in the meeting was telling me. About being at home, not among those gathered. But she was in the room for a minute or two. And the two young people listening to the program that was on the TV. And these two young people were professed workers for Christ in some youth group. There they were, sitting, listening. To something that, as this sister put it to me, she said it was frightful, it was nauseating, it was filthy.

She could see nothing in it but that was contaminating, wicked, abounding. Present your bodies. Our eyes. Part of our bodies and our ears, what we hear. Take heed what you hear. Yes, our hands, what we do, our feet, where we go the walk. Present your bodies now. Remember, this is not Brother Brown talking. This is Scripture. This is God's word. I beseech you, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies. A living sacrifice wholly acceptable to God, which is your intelligent search. Now that applies to everyone on this roof. If you're a child of God, you're responsible to do that. No compromise, No compromise. We must go right down the line with what the Word of God says. Now let's go over to Isaiah. For a verse. Isaiah 5. We're going to get on to a little different line of things here. Isaiah 5. And verse 20. Verse 20. Woe unto them that call evil good. And good, evil. That put darkness for light and light for darkness. That put bitter for sweet, sweet for bitter. What a verse. And you know, that very thing is going on today. Woe unto them that call evil good. And good, evil, that's going on right all around us. Wouldn't have to go very far to prove it. That put darkness for light, and light for darkness. That put bitter for sweet and sweet for bitter. Ah, we're living in an age that's doing that very thing. And what does God's Word say about it? Word with them. Oh yes, payday is coming. Have you heard this expression that's being used nowadays? The new morality. I suppose most of us here have. The world around us in this enlightened nation is professing to have found new standards. Of morality. And I'm going to take the liberty just to read very briefly. Three or four statements from a paper that came into my hands. It's from a brother in Christ over here in Glendale. I don't know him, I've never met him, but I want to read just a few statements from this article. America is either going to rise or fall. Due to its relationship with Almighty God and its adherence to His commandments of righteousness. And morality. Unbridled immorality is spreading. And its final result will be the destruction of our country. America must repent or feel the wrath of God. Christians have a responsibility to God, to their family. And to their nation to hold the principles of the Bible. Now here's something shocking the National Council of Churches. Gave an award Gave an award to a recent motion picture. The National Council of Churches held a banquet and awarded the producers for the styling Glass star.

Operation Moral Upgrade cited this film as. Two hours of vicious brutality. Immorality, nakedness, invitations. Suggestions. Murder, violence depicted throughout. Shocking. National Council of Churches. Now a new term that's. Come to be used is this situation Essex situation ethics. That's a new angle. In order to. Say the question of ethics. Now here's the new Here's the new approach. Situation Ethics. Just as he made choice on the basis of the particular person and circumstances. Says Doctor Fletcher. Must we any act, even lying, immorality, murder. Could be right within a given situation. Now I've softened that just a little because it's a little too crude to read out loud in a situation like this. I've softened it a little. But that's bad enough, isn't it? Now that situation, ethics. What's the point? Well, that in certain situations you can transgress everyone of God's commandments and get by with it. It'll be all right if the situation justifies it. Does the end justify the means? No. Paul was very clear on this matter in Romans chapter 3. Christian ethics are always up to date, for the Bible is our only rule of faith and practice, no matter in what year we live. Do you believe Jesus Christ is really the same yesterday and today and forever? Amen, So do I. The cure for this moral decline is to let men know that a living God has spoken in the Bible. We have not left. We have not been left to wonder what we should or should not do. God has given us a record of Himself and what He requires us to do. Secondly, there's a living God who sees all things and to whom each man will give an account. That was just a few short excerpts. Oh, how solemn, if we can ever reach a place where God's standards are pushed aside and man comes forward with what he calls situation average. I don't know whether you've read the little pamphlet that can be secured from the Bible Truth publishers. Or you can get it through brother Jimmy Scar on the moral content of the 10 Commandments. And the point in this pamphlet is this. That everyone of those 10 commandments as to its moral content. Is reproduced in Christianity. You'll find it in your New Testament. You'll find it among the admonitions and the prohibitions of God. It's there with a solemn pronouncement. God's authority. God hasn't wakened himself one bit in Christianity. He's no less holy. They was on Mount Sinai. No, the only commandment that is omitted in Christianity is the one that has to do with observing the Sabbath. But that's not a moral commandment. They're all, they're all repeated in various ways in the New Testament. God's standards do not change. Now in Ephesians 6. And verse. Well, we might read verse 12 to get the connection. Vision 612. We wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities. Now these are.

These are not earthly matters. These have to do with satanic powers, satanic things. We wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places. The devil and all his hosts are against us. Wherefore. Take unto you the whole armor of God. Have we done it? That you may be able to withstand in the evil day,

and having done all, to stand. Stand therefore, are we doing it or are we giving up? Are we compromising? Are we making turns of the world? Stand therefore having your loins girt about with truth. Having on the breastplate of righteousness, and your feet shod with the preparation. The gospel of peace above all, taking the shield of faith, wherewith we shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked, and take the helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God. Now here's where dependence comes in. Praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit. Oh, how necessary that is, dear young folks. Have you been exercised about it? Are you standing? Have you taken the whole armor of God? Or are you on the road of compromise? Oh, may the Lord wake us up about these things. Now, first Peter. The third chapter. Here's a word to the to the wives, the women. Second verse while it behold your chaste conversation, that word conversation means manner of life deployment. You're chaste deportment coupled with fear. Whose adorning? Let it not be that outward adorning of plaiting the hair, wearing of gold, or putting on of apparel, but let it be the hidden man of the heart, and that which is not corruptible, even the ornament of a meek and quiet spirit. Which is in the sight of God, a great price of great price. For after this manner, in old time, the holy women also, who trusted in God, adorned themselves. No. In connection with that, let's turn to First Timothy 2. And the ninth verse. First Timothy 2, verse 9. In like manner also that women adorn themselves in modest apparel with shamefacedness and sobriety, not with braided hair or gold or pearls or costly array, but which becometh women professing godliness with good works. Now remember, I'm reading this from the Bible. This is scripture. And the word that I would emphasize in that ninth verse is modest, modest apparel. I've often wondered if you got up before a high school group today and gave them a blank piece of paper and a pen and said, I have a word in the dictionary here, I want you to write the definition of it. And then asked them if they would please write a definition of the word modesty. What does it mean? Well, beloved, it's in the Word of God. And it's certainly a word that's being despised today.

We want to, we want to talk right down to where we are. That's the reason we're here tonight, that we might look into these things, because they're all interrelated. All interrelated. First Peter one. They first Peter three, first Peter 3. And the 15th verse. Well, perhaps you should read the 14th. Button, if you suffer for righteousness sake, happy are you be not afraid of their terror, neither be troubled, but sanctify the Lord God in your hearts, and be ready always to give an answer to every man that asketh you a reason of the hope that's within you, and meekness and fear having a good conscience, that whereas they speak against his evildoers, they may be ashamed. That falsely accuse your good conversation in Christ. For it is better if the will of God be so that you suffer for well doing, than for evil doing. For Christ has once suffered for sins, and just for the unjust, that he might bring us to God. Now, isn't that good sound advice? Having a good conscience? That whereas they speak evil of you as evil doers. Well, if you know the accusation is false, you can have a good conscience. But how sad if the accusation is true. Now Romans 6 and verse 4. Knowing this, that our old man is crucified with him, that the body of sin might be destroyed or annulled, that henceforth we should not serve sin. Now Romans 8. First verse. There is therefore now no condemnation to them who are in Christ Jesus. Second verse. For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus hath made me free from the law of sin and death. Fourth verse. That the righteousness of the law might be fulfilled in US who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit. For they that are after the flesh to mind the things of the flesh. But they thereafter the Spirit, the things that are of the spirit. For to be carnally minded is death, but to be spiritually minded is life and peace. Now Ephesians 2. Second verse. Where in time past you walked according to the course of this world, according to the Prince of the power of the air. The spirit that now worketh in the sons of disobedience, among whom we all had our conversation. In times past notice in times past, not now, but in times past before, we were saved in the lusts of our flesh, fulfilling the desires of the flesh and of the mind, and were by nature the children of wrath, even as others. Now Colossians 3. 5 Mortify, therefore, your members, which are upon the earth fornication. Uncleanliness, inordinate affection, evil, concupiscence, covetousness, which is idolatry, for the which things sake the wrath of God cometh on the children of disobedience, in the which he also walked sometime, not now when you lived in them, that's the past, but now.

He also put off all these. Now Ephesians 4:17, No, no, no, no, no, no, no, no, no. Philippians Philippians 3:18. For many walked, of whom I have told you often, and now tell you, even weeping, they are the enemies of the cross of Christ. 2nd Thessalonians, 3/6. 2nd Thessalonians, 3/6. Now we command you, brethren, in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, that you withdraw yourself from every brother that walketh disorderly. One more reference first Peter 4. Verse 3. The time passed of our life. Now get that the time passed, not the present, but the time passed of our life may suffice us to have wrought the will of the Gentiles when we walked in lasciviousness, lusts, excessive wine, reveling, banqueting and abominable idolatries. Wherein you think it's strange that they think it's strange that you run not with them to the same excessive riot. Speaking evil of you. Who shall give an account to him that is ready to judge the living and the dead? The time past of our life. Oh brother, let's have a difference between the time past of our life and the life we're living now. Oh, let it be Christ. For me to live is Christ, the apostle said. For me to live is Christ, and then he could say to die. This game let us sing. Day 7 #57. Someone started please.

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“Upholding all things by the word of His power” (Heb. 1:3).

Oh, the marvelous dignity of that One! He upholds not just this world, but all the universe of God. I can take a baseball and toss it down this aisle, but the moment it leaves my hand, my control over it ends. Not so the God who by the Son made the universe. He started it on its way, but He did not let loose. Each planet and star, as it reels through space, is held, sustained and kept in its course by that blessed One.

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